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New Orleans DA Subpoenas Man Held After Assassination

NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP)—Martens, arrested here days after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, held for "investigation of subversive activities" was released by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison Thursday in his investigation of the crime.

District attorney also ordered the arrest of Gordon New, a former bar owner described as an important material witness for the grand jury considering the case.

Martens, 24, was ordered to appear before the grand jury on Wednesday.

He formerly roomed with the late David W. Farrar at 3330 Louisiana Avenue.

Martens, Ferrie and Roland Bushfield, then 14, were arrested by Garrison's men at the request of the Secret Service and FBI Nov. 25, 1963. Ferrie was held for being a fugitive from Texas. Martens and Bushfield were booked for vagrancy.

POLICE RECORDS show that Martens was held in the FBI's "Secret Service" under in-

vestigations of subversive activities.

Garrison said at that time that Ferrie, Bushfield and Martens were picked up "in connection with some leads of our own."

All three men were released the next day.

Also subpoenaed Thursday was Donald Doty, a balding, red-bearded man about 3 years old. No background information was available on Doty, and he declined to answer reporter's questions when he went with Garrison's office.

Clay Shaw, former director of the International Trade Mart here, left for the Mississippi Gulf coast Thursday following his indictment by the Orleans Parish grand jury Wednesday night for conspiring to murder Kennedy. Shaw will go on trial here at an undetermined date. Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. will preside.

In an interview with New Orleans television station WDSU-TV two weeks ago, Martens said he had been questioned by Garrison's investigators recently

and underwent a lie detector test on one occasion.

Martens said he would not be subpoenaed to appear in court, but he said he "dragged" through the streets.

He said he first met Garrison through the Civil Alliance, which they became good friends. Martens said he believed he knew all of Ferrie's friends, but he had never heard Ferrie mention Clay Shaw or Clay Shaw. Garrison has alleged that Martens sometimes used Bushfield as an alias.

Martens said he met Clay Shaw in 1965 the year Shaw retired as managing director of the Trade Mart. Shaw denied using an alias.

John Volt, one of Garrison's assistants, said the district attorney's office will examine the case once he is found and arrested.

"We will make every effort to get him back as soon as possible," Volt said.

Martens, 25, reportedly arrived in Chicago when the order for his arrest was issued by the FBI.

Martens said he was in the Chicago area when he was arrested. He said he did not intend to come to New Orleans unless he was told freedom from Chicago.

Martens told reporters he helped Garrison in the assassination probe but now feels he is being doublecrossed.

IN THE AFFIDAVIT supporting the arrest order, Garrison said Novel severed his ties here and left the city while under subpoena. He said Novel also played under sizeable bonds. The grand jury "will be doing the most important investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy."

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